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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-Ninth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in

the above Company will to Hold at the

OFFICES of the COMPANY. Pedder's Street, on MONDAY, the 28th day of February, 1898, at 12.30 of the Clock in the AFTER-

NOON, to receive a Statement of Accounts

to the 31st December, 1897, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSPER BOOKS of the Com-

pany will be OLOSED from the 14th to the

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NOTICE is bereby given that the FIRST INSTALMENT of \$20 per SHARE on the SHAREs in above Company becomes Due on the Ninetesth Day of March next, and PAYMENT thereof must be made to the Barrers of the Company, viz. the Lagents for Hongkong & China.

HONGE MO AND EHANGHAL BANKING CON-PORATION, on or before that Date. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, February 18, 1898. THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

Company will be held at the Company's Residence in the United States.

OFFICES, No. 3 Queen's Road Central, The Advantages of Registration are ob-Victoria, on MONDAY, the 28th February, vious and may prove of value in time of at Twelve o'clock (Noon), for the purpose need. of receiving a Statement of Accounts and The

the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1897. The TRANSFIER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 28th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,

Hongkong, February 8, 1898.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED,

A N EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the COMPANY

will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 28th February, at 12.13 DAY the 22nd February, and SHARES o'clock p.m., when the subjoined Resolutions will be proposed.

Promises of the Hongkond & SHANGHAI DAY the 22nd February, and SHARES HULDERS are requested to apply for tions will be proposed. resolutions.

That Articles Nos. 53 and 122 of the Articles of Association of the Company be altered by esiminating there rom the word "Fabruary" and substituting therefor the word March. That Article No. 7 be altered by insert-

ing the words or Exira Reserve Fund. TURING COMPANY, LIMITED. ainth line of the said Article, and the words and Extra Reserve Fund' in mediately

That the following Articles he inserted immediately after Article No. 121 and be numbered Articles 1214 and 1218. 1211 .- Although the Reserve Fund

may amount to the sum of One Million Dollars the Directors may nevertheless at their discretion from time to time appropriate a portion, and exceeding ten per cent, of the net income and profits carned by the Company in any one year, to the formation of an additional Reserve Fund, to be called " Extra Reserve Fund,"

think fit, be appropriated towards to go.h September, 1897. the equalization of dividends,

JAS, B. GOUGHTRIE, Hongkong, February 5, 1898.

DENTISTRY. BUI BANG (Lately Practising with Dr. L SAKATA)

DENTIST, No. 8. Queen's Road Central Honakone, January 1, 1898.

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Agents for Hongkong & Ohina. Hongkong, January 28, 1898

NOTICE TO AMERICAN CITIZENS

A MERICAN CITIZENS residing in the CONSULAR DISTRICT OF CARTON, which in ludes SAMSKUI, WUCHOW, MAGAO, SWATOW, HOLHOW and PARKOL, are REQUESTED to REGISTER at this CONSULATE THE Twenty-Ninth Ordinary MEET- either Personally or by Certificate setting ING of SHAREHOLDERS in the forth the Date and Place of Birth and last

> There is no fee or charge for Registration. EDWARD PEDLOE.

V. S. Consul. UNITED STATES CONSULATE, Conton, Chine, 1st Feb., 1692, 388 HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK

COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 8% per RHARE & BONUS of 4X per SHARE 1. the Six Months ending Slet December, 1897, declared at MONDAY's Ordinary Yearly Meeting, will be PAYABLE at the Primises of the Hongkond & BRANGHAL DIVIDEND WARRANTS at the Com-

pany's Orston No. 14, Praya Central. By Order of the Board of Directors, THOS. I. ROSE. Berretary

Hongkone, February 21, 1898. THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFAU.

THE Furteenth Crdinary Annual MEEDING of SHAREHCLDERS after the word. Fund in the seventh line of the said Article.

That Article No. 121 be altered by inserting the words and aubject to the provisions of Articles 121A and 121B immediately incoming a Statement of Accounts and the receiving a Statement of A county and the ately after the word 'sum' and before the Report of the General Managars for the word 'be' in the fourth line of such year ending Blat December, 1-97, declaring Article.

Article. mittee and Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st Inst. to the 7th March, both days inclusive.

BHEWAN, TOMES & CO. Goveral Monagers, Hongkong, Esbruary 21, 1898. THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY,

LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHARBHOLDERS.

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oredit of the Extra Reserve Fund in the OFFICES of the COMPANY, No. 9. may be applicable for the equalizate Praya Central, on SATURDAY, the 28th tion of dividends, and such monies. February, 1898, at 19 c'clark Noon, for or some portion thereof, may, the purpose of receiving the Report of the whenever the Directors shall Directors and the Statement of Accounts

By Order of the Board of Directors JAMES B. DUNCAN.

Houghong, February 15, 1898. GEO. FERWICK & CO., LIMITED.

THE Ninth Ordinary General MEETING in the Honokong Horse on Markets PRINTED TO THE PROPERTY OF THE TO THE PROPERTY OF STREET STREET, STRE the Coult of the Board of Chemon

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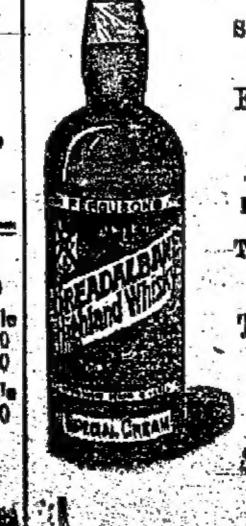
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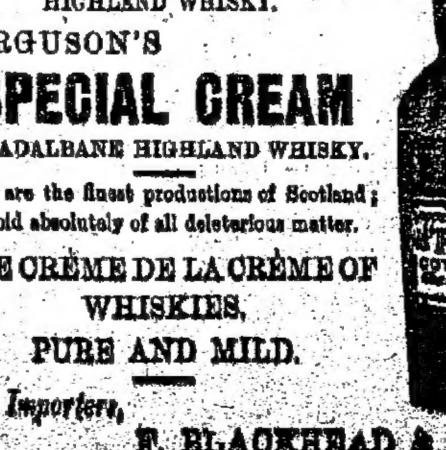
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E. W. MITOHELL, Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, February 22, 1898.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION. tions to sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY the 24th February, 1898, at 3 p.m., at IRADALE, KOWLOON,-A LARGE QUANTITY OF SHRUBS, POTS AND PLANTS (ABOUT

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. CONTRIBUTING SHIREHOLDERS are requested to send in a Statemen of Business Contributed during the Half-Year ended 31st December, 1897, on or before the 15th March, on which date the

Accounts will be CLOSED. By Order of the Board of Directors. THOS. I ROSE, Secretary.

Hongkong, February 23, 1898. MOGUL! LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND

YOKOHAMA. The Steamship Lennox, Captain WILLIAMSON,

above at Daylight, TO-MORROW, the 24th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to -DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,

Hongkong, February 23, 1828. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY. The Co.'s Steamship

Dardanus,
Captain GREGORY, will
be despatched TO-MOR-ROW, the 24th Instant, at 5 p.m. For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

A gerete. Hongkong, February 23, 1898.

DOUGLAS STEAMSEIP COMPANY LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Co.'s Steamship Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 25th Instant, at

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, February 23, 1898. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT .The Co.'s Steamship Captain Moorroge, will be despatched on FRI-DAY, the 25th Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, A genta. Hongkong, February 23, 1898.

MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE. THE Undersigned has received instruct FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Steametic

> to be despatched for the above Ports on the 12th March. S.S. Lennow, to sail about 12th April. S.S. Fathan, to sail about 20th April. S. S. Energia, to sail about 5th May.

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\_31, at noon.

"HE Steamship COPTIO will to despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONO-LULU, on SATURDAY, 12th March,

at Noon. Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

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embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice verse) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe. All Parcel Packages should be marked to ddress in full; and asme will be received at the Company's Office until 6 p.m. the tay previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to joints Devolid San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Castems, Ban Francisco.

For further information at to Fraigi a francis, apply to the agency o a mulary, Ro. 7, Prays Comment J. B. VAN BUREN,

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ARMY CONTRACTS.

TENDERS will be received for the Supply of Provisions, and for BERVICES, as below, required for the TROOPS at Ho: GRONG for 12 Months from lat April Next :-

PROVISIONS :-

11. GENERAL Supplies for Thoors, in cluding BEEF, GROCERIES, VEGETABLES; also Coal, Wood, Oil, &c. 2. HOSPITAL SUPPLIES, including BEFF, MUTTON, FOWLS, GROCEBIES, FACIT, WINES, and Medical Comports denerally. SERVICES :-

3. Provision of Launciers and Boats on Hire, Coolie LABOUR, and WATCHMEN. 4. WASHING BEDDING and CLOTHING. 5. Edavending, Sweeping Chimneys, and SUI PLYING DRY BARTHE 6. LIGHTING and SCRELYING OIL for

7. Puechase of Empty Porter Hoos-TENDERS must be made on, Forms George A. Lee, Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 31 which, with any further information requir- and Shanghai Feb. 21, Mails and General. 339 ed, may be obtained at BEADQUARTER -C. P. R. Co. OFFICE, B., Commissariat Buildings, between the hours of 10 s.m. and 4 p.m., daily, up to the 2nd March, 1898.

Charles A

"Hongkong, February 23, 1898.

NAVAL. CONTRACT, 1898-99.

CIEALED TENDERS, in DUPLICATE, will be received by the Victualling STOREKE PER, H.M. VICTUALING YARD, nutil Noon, on THURSDAY, the 3rd Proximo, from Persons desirous of SUPPLY 150 the undermentioned Articles for the use of H M. Navy, for the year 1898 99 :-

Biscuit. RAININS. SOFT BREAD. FLOUR. 2 E UGAR. FRESH BEFF. FRESH MILK. FRESH VEGETABLES. WATER for DRINK FRESH POTATOES. ING and BOILERS Printed Forms of TENDERS and further particulars can be obtlined at the Victualling Stokekeeper's Office. The right to reject the lowest or any

Tenders is reserved. HONGKONG VICTUALLING YARD, 22nd February, 1898.

PUBLIC AUGTION. THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY,

the 26th February, 1898, Commencing at 2.30 p.m., within the House No. 45, WYND-HAM STREET,-A QUANTITY OF

EXCELLENT HOUSEHOLD FURNI-TURE, RECHERCHE DRAWING-ROOM SUITE Mirbors, Carpets. Extension Cining Table, Monocco Covered Chairs, Side-BOARD, ILON and BRASS BEDSTEADS. WARDRODES, DRESSING TABLES and WASH-

STANDS, BATHROOM, PANTRY BRI KITCHEN On view from Friday, 25th Feb., 1898. Tenms: - Clearance on Monday, 28th Inst. Cash on delivery.

Auctioneers. Hongkong, February 23, 1898. DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & CO., (In Liquidation.)

HUGHES\_& HOUGH,

NTOTICE is hereby given, in Pursuance IN of Section 130 of the Companies Ordinarco Ne. 1. of 1865, that a GEN-ERAL MEETING of the-MEMBERS of the above named Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on TUESDAY, the FIRST Day of MARCH, 1898, at 12 o'clock, Noon, for the Purpose of having an Ac count laid before them shewing the manner in which the winding up has been conducted and the property of the Company disposes of and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the "Liquidaton, and also of determining by Extraordinary Resolution the Manner in which the Books, Accounts and Documents of the Company and of the Liquidator thereof shall be disposed of. Dated the 23rd February, 1898.

F. MAITLAND. Liquidator. Hongkong February 23 1818.

NOTIOE. THE Notification ordering the summoning of persons to appear for trial and decision issued by Lt, Acring Magistratz of the SHUN TAX district, of the third rank by brower, expectant Magistrate of Chirli, having been promoted ten steps, and re corded ten times for good services !-

Whereas, Bis Excultency the Vicerov of Canton having received a despatch from the FRENCH CONSUL complaining that Sin Shiu, a Christian, has been falsely accused, has ordered the Prefect of Kwong-Chow-Fu to summon the witnesses concerned and to first try and then settle the case; and whereas the Prefect (of Kwong-Chow-Fu) having made inquiry into the effair and vid SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, found that the origin of the case concerned the bank under the title of U Hone stating that Sin Ho Kwan has been acting as pettifogger, and that Li A-im, Li Achi and others, should be brought up for trial, has authorized me to issue summonses against all parties concorned, that the case may be brought to a final decision ;-I hereby issue summonses and give my order that under penalty of dismissal and severe punishment, Tang Kwan, Ho Shing and others Yamen runners should, within three days, inform and bring up those whose names are appended below, as well as SIN Ho KWAN,

> that the case may be at once decided. The following twenty names are those summoned to appear :-1. La A Im alize La A Wing; 2. Li A CHI (brother of LI A IM), both are masters of U Hang Bank, being natives of San Wun residing at Lung Kong village of the Shan Tak district; 3. OHEUNG CHO-FAN 4. KWOK KAM-TONG; 5. SIP LUN CHEUNG; 6. LAU KUNG-YAN; 7. CHOI KWOK-WAI; CHOI HO: 9. CHEUNG CHI-RWOK; 10, IP HIN-FAN; 11. CHAN KUN-CHIU: 12. Wong YUE-rong; 13. Stu Lan-ran; 14. CHUNG SHU-FAN; 18. CHAN SHIU-TUNG alias Kr Shur; 16. Std Chaung-sht; 17 Wong Shiu ming; 18. Fung Lung, 19.

No Su : 20, U KAU. Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbourt-GENISTA, British ship, Captain Sam. P. Hearn.—Standard Oil Co. PAUL Proxuets, Gor. 4-manbed barque, Th

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. February 22. Dardanus, British steamer, 2,992, T. M. Gregory, Liverpool Jan. 12, and Singapore Feb. 17, General. - BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

February 23. Fuping, Chinese str., from Canton. Glengsk, British str., 2,275, T. Darke, R.N.R., Amoy February 21, General .-JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, French steamer, 738, Bastian,

Haiphong and Hollow Feb. 19, Rice and General .- A. R. MARTY. Lucemoon. German steamer, 1,238, G. Heuermann, Shanghai Feb. 20, General. -STEMBSEN & Co.

Fraces, British steamer, 822. Hall, Foodlow Feb. 20, Amoy 21, and Swatow 22, General. - DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co. Amara, British steamer, 1,656, P. Rolfe, Kutchinotza bi bruary 18, Coal. - JARDINE. MATHESON & Co.

Ceres, German steamer, 2,600, F. Forck, Hamburg and S ngapore Feb. 17, G. noral. - SIEMSSEN & Co. Empress of Jopan, British steamer, 5,904,

I BURER CRES. February 23. Hermes, for Kobe. . Decima, for Ssigan. Matsayama Maru, for Singapore and Bom-Kachidate Maris, for Kutchingtza. Lycemoon, for Canton.

OLKARED. Tulcakun, for Ponape. Ric, for Yokohama. Mathilde, for Haihow. Glenesk, for Singapore. Hailan for Hothew. . Kicongsand, for Swatow. Turbo, for Shanghai. Formesa, for Swatow. Lennox, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS,

ARRIVED. Per Dardanus, from Singapore, 511 Chi-

and Mrs Jeremiassen and 3 children, Mr W. C. Jack, Mr and Mrs Cazean, Mesars Henri Harwitz, Brisson, 96 Chinese and Per Lycemoon, from Shanghai, Mrs Lincoln and child, Mr Burgwardt, and 53 Pur Thales, from Cosst Ports, Messrs

R gers, McGregor Shaw, and Begley, Capt. Nealsen, and 115 Chinere. Per Ceres, from Singapore, 370 Chinese. Por Empress of Japan, for Hongkong; from Vancouver, Rev. E. D. and Mrs Eaton, Rev. Judson Smith, Mrs Graham. and Mr Chin Wa; from Victoria, Mr W Velge: from Yokohama, Mrs Hemwing, Mrs A. F. Price, M. sara W. T. Whitaker R. Bolton, Midgley, Mrs S C. Paine, Mr and Mrs F. W. Horne, and Mr Kwong Ah Noon; from Kobe, Me and Mrs Apoar and child, Mr L. W. Brandt, Mr F. A. Brick. Notes and Queries,lemann, Miss Hazeland, Count de Twick and Mr K. Yoshida; from Nagasaki, Mr Y. Q. Ng; from Shanghai, Miss Hodges, Musers W. J. Blackhall, R sbt., Young, C. S. Taylor, and E A. Alford and servant,

and 25 Chinese, SHIPPING REFORTS. The British steamer Glenesk reports Left Hongkong Feb. 19th, and had strong N.E. wind and rain equalls to Amoy : arrived there 21st, and left same night, same kind of weather back to Breaker Point; thence to Ninepins, light wind, fresh N We wind into Hurbour. The German stenner Lycemoon reports :

Fresh N.E. wind, clear weather from port The British at omer Thales reports : From Foothow, strong N.E. wind and rain From Amoy, strong N.E wind and rain. From Swatow, fresh N'ly wind and overonet. Steamer in Foochow : Haeshin. S rg. in Amoy : Glenesk and Cheang Cheic. Stra in Swatow: Progress, Neuchwang, and

The British steamer Amara reports:

Strong monsoon, overesst and raing. POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:-For SWA1OW & BANGROK .-Par Lossok, at 9.30 s.m., on Thursday, the 21th February.

For SHANGHAL .-Per Singan, et 1,30 p.m., on Thursday, the 24th February. For KUDAT & SANDAKAN .-

Per Memnon, at 2.30 p.m., on Thurs lay, the 24th February. For AMOY & MANILA.-Per Kameralda, at 4.30 p.m., on Thurs-

day, the 24th February. For AMOY & SHANGHAL -Por Dardanus at 4.30 p.m.; on Thursday, the 24th February.

For HOIHOW & BANGKOK .-Per Ph anang, at 9.30 a.m. g. or Friday, the 25th February ... r SINGAPORE, SOURABAYA SAMARANG.-Per Chunsang, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 25th Fobruary.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA Per Socotra, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 25th February. Per Resetta, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 5th March. For SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOM-

BAY.—

Per Letimbro, at 2.30 p.m., on Friday, the 25th February. THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNS VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE .-Per Umi Maru, Registration at 2 p.m.,

Letters at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 25th February. For SWATOW & SHANGHAL. Per Choysang, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 25th February.

For TIENTSIN .-Per Kweiyang, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 20th February.

MAILS BY THE FRENOH PACKET .-

The French Contract Packet Sydney will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 26th February, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and places be-youd, sid Marseilles; to Saigon, Straits Bettlementa, Entavia, Burmah, Ceylon bladran, the Australasian Colonies. Aden. Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibroltar. usual hours will be observed

MAKOS. FOR TO-MORROW Shipping.

Daylight. - Formosa leaves for Swatow. Daylight .- Lennoz leaves for Shanghai. 5 p.m. - Dardanus leaves for Shenghai. 5 p.m.-Esmeralda leaves for Manila. Auctions.

3 p.m.-Austion of Shrubs, Pols and Riants, &c., at Isadale, Kowloon. - Miscellaneous.

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The China Mail.

Hongkong, Wednesday, February 23, 185 LOCAL AND GENERAL

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL (SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER.) OUTWARD BOUND :- Oapack, Jan. Devonshire, 18; 21; Venus, 25; Gisela, Trion, Anapa, 28; Oceana, Energia, 31; Gerda, Benvoirlich, Sunda, Hounslow, Feb 4; Menelans, Alton, Glanens Lulona, Yarrowdate, 11; Rose Castle. Bayern, 15 : Shanghai, Telamon, Ernes Simons, Manila, Monmouthshire, Oalong, Andulusia, Avala, 16.

HOMEWARD BOUND ;- Cromarty, Jan. 11 Benlomond, 18; Canton, 21; Sikh, 28 Fernfield, 31; Malacca, Feb. 8; Myrn don, Niebe, 11; Saghalien, Pectan, 15; Benledi, Kriemhild, Della, 16.

The M. M. Co. as. s. Melbourne, with th FRENCH MAIL of Jan. 28th, left Sin gapore on Sunday, the 20th Feb., at 4 p.m., and may be expected here on about Sunday, the 27th Fob. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on Duc. 22nd he U. & O. Co.'s s. s. Coptic, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port

The P. M. Co.'s s. s. City of Rio Yokohoma, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 12th Feb.

Steamers Expected. The B. L. str. Benlomond, from Antworp Feb. for this port,

The P. & O. Co.'s s. s. Socotra left Singagapore for this port on the 18th Feb., The s. s. Glenshiel, from Middlesboro.

from Tacoma, for Hongkong and Japan, on the 3rd Feb. The H. A. L. str. Andalusic passed Sucz expected here about the 15th March. The C. M. Co.'s str. Canfa, from Glasgow

port on Saturday afternoon, the 19th Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 25th Feb. The C. N. Co.'s str. Taiman, from Australian Ports, left Port Darwin on 20th Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 1st March.

and Liverpool, left Singapore for this

from Tacoma. The N. P. Co.'s s. s. Mogul sailed from Portland on the 19th Feb., for Japan and Hongkong. The s. s. Pathan, from New York, left due here on or about the 28th Feb.

The N. P. Co.'s s. s. Columbia has sailed

Latest Advices. Singapore for this port on the afternoon of 22nd Feb. The P. M. D. c. Porte, with mulls doi, left Shanghai for this port on the 22nd Feb., at 5 p.m.

\* \* An interesting article on Hongkong, contributed to the Singapore Free Press by-Mr J. D. Ross, will be found on pag It-contains references to the Governor, Mr. Whitehead, the Peak and the China pony. The Brough Comedy Company is advertised

to play at Singapore from the 19th to the

26th inst. The plays advertised are

Sowing the Wind, The Village Priest,

The case of Robellious Susan," Passport, 'Pair of Spectacles,' and 'The Second Mrs Tanqueray' and 'Niohe.' THE prospect of The Philippines Mining and Degelopment Co., Limited, of which Messrs John D. Humphreys and Son are the Hongkong agents, are said to be favourable. Large deposits of excellent coal are known to exist in the islands, and if the

Government does not hamper the under Ter action taken by the British Navel

taking there should be a fine market for authorities in buying up the available cost

the disposal of the black diamonds in at the different depots as south to the Far

Hongkong and the Far East generally. be able to double his income.

YESTERDAY afternoon, Messrs Hughes and Hough sold by public auction a number of race ponies, in front of the City Hall. The highest price obtained was \$250 each for Tocsin and Bickleigh; Oliver was sold at \$240; and Digby Grand went for \$220. The following are the prices obtained for some of the other ponies :- Glendubl, 245; Tuntivy, \$70; Custonet, \$150; Codfish, \$165; The best natural Aperient Water bottled Vicercy, \$65; Silver Bell, \$145; Jackdown 875 ; Reverse, 265 ; Aspirant, 270 ; Forman 8105 ; Statesman, 3145 ; Bannerman, \$165 \$60 : Circuis, \$60 : Beschnest, \$165 | Monest John 860; Allington, 695; Ingoldeby 880; Blughre, 890 | Fortunaties, \$110 ; Gameozck, \$140; Prior's Wood, 850; Shatland, 840. Propost Marshall, \$50 : Hickory \$145; Bulk Anch. 870 | Diening 880 | Sailey, \$50 Blander \$110 Greenfach, \$110 Mileton

THE dramatic company of H.M.S. Powerful were ashore last night, and had a very satisfactory full-dress rehearsal of to-night's performance in the City Hall.

Owing to the heavy and continuous rain at Singapore on the 11th and 12th inst., making the working of cargo practically impossible, the departure of eight steamers. had to be postponed.

Foor-and-mouth disease has broken out in virulent form amongst the cattle in the Pampanga Province of Luzon, many sugar estates being unable to continue planting owing to the loss of all their buffaloes. The Government has been asked to send an expert to study the disease, and, if possible, to devise a remedy.

Quoring our paragraph regarding the cooperation of Chang, Chinese Consul-General at Singapore, with Sheng, Director-General of the Chinese Railways, and a possible appeal to the rich Straits Chinese to-extend financial support to the proposed railways in Kwangtung Province, the Straits Times adds that there is not the slightest likelihood of the Straits Chinese giving any support to the scheme. It would certainly be unwise to give Sheng any vin Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, financial assistance whatsoever until the Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 3rd Chinese railways have been put under prode per European management and until the Janeiro, with mails &c., left San introduction of reforms throughout the Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Empire ensures a substantial guarantee for prospective investors.

ABOUT half-past eight this morning, about 600 men landed from H.M.S. Powerful, and Loudon, left Singapore on 17th under the command of Commander A. P. Ethelston, and marched to the Happy Valley for drill and battalion movements. returning to the ship about mid-day. The ship's company numbers upwards of 840 London and Straits, left Singapore officers and men, and with 600 ashoro tho for this port on Friday morning, the two-hundred yards of metal had quite a The N. P. Co.'s s. s. Braemar sailed deserted appearance. The Powerful coals to-morrow, taking in about 1000 tons of coal, and it is anticipated she will proceed Canal on the 18th Feb., and may be porth, probably to Nagasaki, about Tuesday next. Her movements, however, are uncertain. The Rossic, which the Powerful is popularly believed to shadow, also goes north in a few days.

THE Sydney Morning Herald of the 29th Jan. says :- The steamer Menmuir, which arrived from Hongkong on Thursday, brings to Sydney passengers and crew fresh from the scene that has threatened to be the witness of a serious disturbance. Yesterday a Herald representative had a Singapore on the 22nd Feb., and is chat with some of those on board. A day or two before we left, said one of the officers, the Powerful arrived in Hongkong The s. s. Lightning, from Calcutts, left to reinforce the squadron. She must be one of the finest warships affort. The Europeans were talking even the situation. and the appearance of the Powerfits caused some excitement. The Chinese are utterly indifferent. Everyone is in the dark at Hongkong, said another of those on board. You get better information here than they do there. The chief grievance, said Captain Garth, is with the Japs. The Japs are cut up over the fact that they are being left out of consideration by the other Powers. They best China badly, and they had an idea that they were a first-rate Power. Rossia and the other Powers are now arranging things between themselves, and the Japa are very sore over this. Then Japan has Formosa on her hands. It is an expensive country, and she doesn't know what to do with sit. As far as the Chinese are concerned, they don't care what the Government is. They would as soon serve one an another. People in Australia don't know what it is to live in a country like the East, where things are politically upside down.

of the warships of other nations on their Tur subject of coal is getting more im- way out to these waters. It was not the nortant than ever in Hongkong, where intention of the Naval authorities by securprices have gone up with a rush during the ing these coal supplies to in any way hampast two years, and our readers will be per the progress of other navies, but they interested to read that the Sadong Colliery | have simply anticipated others in their in Sarawak is increasing its output. Un- arrangements for the requirements of the fortunately, owing to the want of proper increased number of British ships in these machinery, winding engines, pumps, &c., waters, and the prospective requirements the employes are not able to utilise the fine of other vessels ordered to the China seams of coal struck during the past year, Station. This famine in the coal market and consequently there is little likelihood would have very little effect upon the proof the Sarawak coal finding its way to press of vessels with a storage capacity of Hongkong for some time to come. Of the 2,500 tons like the Rossia, provided the total output of 24,396 tons in 1897, 20,766 authorities were forewarned of the event. Member of the Chemical Societies tons went to Singapore. With proper and prepared her for the voyage for with machinery, the output could be doubled. that amount, the Roula could steam from If a Hongkong capitalist could get his Kronstadt to Viadivostok without strops Bacteriological and Agricultural Expert. finger into the Sading business, he might ping. According to reports from Single pore, however, the corner created in the coal market by the action of the British naval authorities has raised the price of coal to an abnormal sum, and the urles charged the Russians for soul, sither for the Russia or the Sugar Teliky and other vessels on the way out was \$30 per ton and it was believed in Singapore that the latter ship would be considerable delayed at Colombo for want of rock. We ballers the same difficulty cose not with it Rooms kong in regard to the supply of soul to the Russian Cary, for by arrangement between the mo Powers de Mente Ville here supply Research being reals was a fablyong sage to sellouges one coulcys floring to our ships to eac tables for the some further particular the Public lan

East has somewhat retarded the progress.

Board to-morrow afternoon, at 4.15. With booked. the exception of a report by the Colonisi Veterinary Surgeon on the milk supplies of the Colony, the business is formal.

Ir is notified, under instructions received from the War Office, that the Asiatic Companies, Royal Artillery, at Hongkong and Singapore, have been formed into one battalion and designated the Hongkong Asiatio Battalion. The Singapore Company, Royal Artillery, will be No. 5 of the above batta-

Two French officials fought a duel at Hanci on the 15th inst. With singular inapproprinteness (it was a French duel) they P.M.W. Sov.; Master of Ceremonies, Sir fought behind the Hospital! The weapon | Knight G. Mollison; Chancellor, Sir selected was the sword. By accident one of the belligerent functionaries was scratch. C. Lesbirel; Equerry, Sir Bro. B. Jorus. ed on the little finger and the right forearm, Honour was satisfied.

sefive o'clock yesterday afternoon, a collision took place, of the Kowloon wharis between the steam launches Heron and Dakin. The Dakin was struck amidships, and quickly filled with water. She was, however, towed alongside the Praya wall, and secured alongside the whari. The Heron was also badly damaged about the

A STRAITS Wanderer in Paris' writes to the Singapore Free Press on the 16th January :- As to matters farther East; the idea is that Siam is car-marked for France. A French friend of mine, well acquainted wave over Bangkok within another year. This may or (I like to be safe in my prophecies) may not be true-all the better for orders of the 5th inst. at Columbo: -Singapore trade if it isn't.

. From American exchanges received severa days ago, we learned that the North Pacific squadron had assembled at Esquimalt, Rear-Admiral Palliser flying his flag on the Imperieuse, and that this rendezvous had been made so that the squadron might sail at a moment's notice to reinforce the China fleet. With the exception of the gunboats operating in the Persian Gulf, the East India squadron is in the useful Commanding at an hour to be notified. neighbourhood of Coylon. East of Suez the British naval strength is formidable, and should enable the world-wide Empire to retain the command of the seas in the event of an unfortunate outbreak of hosti-

In the Strails Times of the 12th inst., 'The Moralist laments :- Why, oh, why did I not speculate in Cardiff coal? But a few arrive here on the evening of Tuesday, days ago, I could have bought it at \$15 a ton, and to-day I could sell it for more Henry may stay here about five days. than double that price. Thus are our op. The Teutonia Club are making extensive portunities in life wasted for lack of fore- The reception will take the sight. Yet, I doubt whether very much of a Garden Party, to be held money has been made by the holders of the Club grounds, Tanglin, -Cardiff coal. A certain amount, I take it, had to be held firm under contract for British Naval needs, and our Admiralty bought a good deal more before the price boomed. The higher profit, then, can only be made on the balance. Still, cent tons, is fairly satisfactory business.

Tur China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company has been floated | which fact shows conclusively that the scheme met a and other places. Telegraphic advices, 'feit want.' Capital is \$1,000,000, in fifty thousand shares, at \$20 each-half of Ceylon, some six thousand feet above the which (\$500,000) is called up. It is not expected the balance will be called up, as the Company will meet likely issue debentures; the rate of 10 per cent, per annum for the later on. No prospectus has been issued, second half of 1897. as the Chinese appear to have supported the Company most readily. Messra She- Ar Penang, Mr Justice Hyndman Jones wan, Tomes & Co. are the managers. We has recently brought two perjurers to book. understand the Company will do a general trust and loan business -- a branch of com- I three months' simple imprisonment on the mercial facility which cannot always be done 27th January. On the 3rd instant, by the Banks. Leans on cargo to arrive cause case, was committed to prison for will be a prominent feature of the Com- three months' rigorous | imprisonment. pany's operations; and this is, we believe, not only safe, but conducive to extended general business, and should prove to be THE amounts and denominations of new (if well managed) a considerable relief to the tightness of the market 2 experienced by every one of late. This does not mean any competition with any of the Banks, or with the great Land Investment Company. Short leans and monthly or quarterly payments are the essence of the business. So we are informed ; and, as we have said, with careful management, the Company may be not only a boon to Chiness clients but a good thing to investors. The Directors are Messrs R. Shewan, J. H. Lewis, J. Van Buren, Chow Tung Shang (National Bank), Wong Ho! Chan (Sugar Janen Gazette. morehant), and Chow Hing RI (Lee Shing - the new Company seems to have a bright

VERNITA AT THE DOUGH :-- At Kondoun-Kwangies, Martha, Dosmopolit, Batuan, H.M.S. Haraber. Aber leen .- (Neme).

Commencation, -- West York, Ocampo.

This life. New Wells by A. O. Ward

Lr. Sydney Olivier, R.N., well known on | Wn note the departure of the P. and O. | has been cancelled, and hear that she has been run into (in the Inland Sea) by a Japanese steamer. Her passenger accom-THERE will be a meeting of the Saultary | modation for Home was, we believe, fully

> Tax Installation meeting of the Phoenix Chapter of Sovereign Princes Rose Creix of H. R. D. M., No. 17 A. and A., Scottish Rite, was held in the Masonic Hall on Shrove Tuesday, the 22nd inst., when the following Officers were duly elected and installed for the ensuing year :- M. W. Sov., Sir Knight T. Spafford ; I. P. M. W. Sov., Sir Knight J. I. Andrew ; Depute M. W. Sov., Sir Knight F. Howell 30, P.M.W. infantry.' Sov.; High Prelate, Sir Knight W. Farmer : Senior Warden, Sir Knight J. H. Thomas; Treasurer, Sir Knight Ugo Nervegna : Secretary, Sir Knight G. A. Watkins, 32, Knight F. Utho; Inner Guard, Sir Knight

PRINCE HENRY'S VISIT TO THE FAR EAST. "

HIS RECEPTION AT HONGKONG. We are informed officially that as yet no arrangements have been made in Hongkong for the reception of Prince Henry of Prussis. That Hongkong will not be lacking in cordiality to His Royal Highness goes without saying, but it is not known whether he willland here as a German prince or merely as an Admiral in the Gorman navy. General Black's staff officer has communicated with Prince Henry's staff officer, but no answer has been received as to the Prince's wishes. Doubtless the German community will follow the example of their compatriots of Colombo and Singapore, and will give Prince Henry with the East, tells me that the tricolor will and his officers a royal reception at the Club Germania.

THE ARRANGEMENTS AT COLOMBO. H. R. H. Prince Henry of Prussia is of 24 feet, with a displacement of 8.880 expected to arrive on Sunday, the 6th met. : tone. She has an armour belt 15? inches (a) If H. R. Highness lands as a Royal a Royal Salute of 21 guns on H. R. High- and the auxiliary armsment includes six | mediately in front of the City Hall; ness leaving the ship. The hour will be 6-in, and twelve 1.8-in. quick-firing guns. (b) to retain the sites of the present Post notified hereafter. The O.U.I.L.N.L.R. The engines develop 8,500 horse power, will furnish a guard of honor consisting of 100 rank and file, under a Captain with two subalterns, one carrying the Queen's jetty at an hour to be notified. Officers Commanding Corps and Heads of Depart of 302 men. - Eu., C.M.] ments will meet H.E. the General Officer

(b) In the event of . H. R. Highness landing as an Admiral, the R.A. salute will be 15 guns. The guard of honour will consist of 50 Rank and tile and two officers. one with the Regimental Colours, and a band. Officers Commanding Corps and Heads of Departments will not then be required to attend. Dress (a) and (b) Roviow Order: White. PREPARATIONS AT SINGAPORE. Singapore, Feb. 11. Prince Henry of Prussia is expected to

the 22nd instant, with his squadronthe Deutschland and the Gefion. Prince festive arrangements to receive the Prince. evening of Thursday, the 24th instant. It is desired to give the entertainment a thoroughly Oriental character. probable items include; native plays, juggling feats, conjuring tricks, performances by dancing girls, and Indian theatricals. The Club would like to invite as many of the non-German community as possible, but, owing to the limited space of per cent profit, on even a few thousand the Club grounds, they cannot juvite as many as they would like. Prince Henry is now in Ceylon. He arrived at Colombo on Wednesday last. The Governor was to meet him on board the Deutschland, and arrangements were in progress for excursions by the Prince up-country to Kandy received to day, show that Prince Henry is to-day at Newers Eliya, a hill station in 868. - Straits Times.

THE Japan Railway Co. pays a dividend at

One of them, Ena Mana Ibramsah, a hankrupt, was committed to prison for Mahamed Rajab, a witness in a small They had both committed the offence before the judge.

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Jan. 1898 .	· •	3,300,000	-

Total ... 37,294,600 23,907,000 828,100 Grand Total ..... 67,029,710 yen. The object of the Government is, it is Regonare are coming slowly but surely in said, to mint as many as 78 million yon .- the Philippines, says the Singapore Free

& Ca.) If, as we have said, careful man. Ma Brenan's report on Japanese trade has and much-abused tax of prestacion perproved a revelation to the merchant in sonal, or personal service, by which the agreement he becoured—and that ought to England. He points out very clearly the majority of the inhabitants were compelled be made certain under present conditions gradual deterioration of almost every article to give fifteen days' labour every year to of Japanese mauniacture, but he has not the government. The abuses committed made as much as he might have done of by the local authorities in carrying out this the great difference of prices in China and law were scandalous, and only known to Japan. An interesting instance of this those who have lived in the Provinces of difference has been brought to our notice the Philippines. Unfortunate and defence this week. A Kobe merchant obtained less individuals were made to work when samples of a certain class of goods from and wherever the authorities wished, the Hongkong with a view of having an order Provincial Governors and Clergy pocketing executed here, to save freight. The Hong- the fruits of their labour, the number of kong quotations were \$15.50, but when days they put in never being taken into the samples were shown to a maker here account. Instead of this the Poll Tax of he said he would not make the article in 10th Class is to be raised \$1,25 per head question for less than 60 year, notwithstand - per year, out of which 90% will be devoted ing that the material of which the article is 7 to local funds for highway purposes. This Post of the Basic - Robinson Plane, made has common in Japan se in China | last expression is a little suggestive - Etc.

THE FRENCH AND HAINAN,

FURTHER PREPARATIONS FOR OCCUPATION.

Le Courrier d'Haiplong of the 17th February says :- We believe -and the report is confirmed in part by the movement of troops going on at Quang-yon-that the 3rd Bartery of Artillery garrisoning Dapcau (in the north of Tonkin) has been placed on a war footing and kept in readiness for four days, awaiting an order to leave that place for Haiphong, where it will despatched for the Island of Hainan, which it will occupy conjointly with the 2nd Battery and four companies of light

### NAVAL REINFORCEMENTS.

THE GEFION AT SINGAPORE. WO RUSSIAN BATTLESHIPS AT

PENANG. (Special Telegram from Our Own Correspondent). SINGAPORE, Feb. 23, 3.16 p.m.

The German cruiser Gesion arrived at Singapore to-day.

The Russian battleships Namerin and Sissoi Veldey have arrived at Penang, and coaled there yesterday. They are not expected to call at Singapore, but will steam direct to Hongkong.

The Navarin is a first-class battleship of 9,746 tons displacement. She was built at a cost of over £770,000. She carries four 12-in. 52-ton guns, with a complement of quick-firers, as secondary armament. She carries 1,200 tons of coal in her ounkers and is rated at a speed of 16 knots. The Sissei Veliky is of interest from the fact that she lately represented Russia in the international squadron stationed in Cretan waters, and it was on board this vessel that a terrible explosion occurred recently while gun practice was going on. · A charge exploded while a big gun was being londed, and the roof of the turret was blown off, half of it going overboard and the other half falling on deck and crushing a number of men, while others were killed by the explosion. The Sissoi Veliky was The following appears in the military bounched in 1894. She is 348 feet long beam 66 feet 6 in., and has a draught

and she steams at a speed of 16 knots. Colour, a proportion of Sergeants and the a three-funnelled second-class cruiser with Ormsby then reviewed the different schemes regimental band to be at the Passenger a displacement of 4100 tons and 2000 h.p. She carries ten 4-inch guns, and has a crow

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL. LONDON, 21st February, 1898. GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE IN

AFRICA.

The Press regards the situation in West Africa as very grave, and agrees that the limits of British forbearance have been reached. Reuter's Agency wires from Akassa that two French expeditions are capital, and that the Niger Company's form forces are ready and awaiting instructions to advance to the assistance of the Sultan and to secure the evacuation of British

> THE ARMY ESTIMATES. Supplementary Army Estimates bring the total increase to £1,600,000, Cavalry is to be alightly increased and the Artillery by fifteen batteries.

> admit foreign and-native-steamers-on all the inland waters within four months.

CHINA.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL SHIELD COMPETITION.

DRAW FOR THE THIRD ROUND. The Shield Committee met yesterday and drow for the third round for the Hongkong Football Challenge Shield as

Collows I-Winner of H.M.S. Powerful v. C Company, K.O.R. v. Winner of H.M.S. Nar-

cissus v. H.M.S. Conturiou. E. Company, K.O.R. v. G Company,

H.M.S. Victor Emanuel v. Kowloon, D. Company, K.O.R. v. 25th Company,

S.D., R.A. This round must be played off before

March 9. The kick of must be not late? than half-past four.

WEATHER REPORT. The following notice is issued from the Observatory:—

winds; fair.

Press; the Governor-General has just signed a decree abolishing the obnexious

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. The Legislative Council met this afternoon. H. E. Major-General Black, C.B., Acting-Governor, presided. There were

present-Hon. J. H. Stowart Lockhart, Colonial Secretary; Hon. W. M. Goodman, Attorney-General; Hon. R. D. Ormsby, Director of Public Works Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G., Captain Superintendent of Police; Hon. T. Sercombe Smith, Colonial Treasurer; Hou. R. Murray Rumsey, Harbour Master; Hons. C. P. Chater, C.M.G., J. J. Bell-Irving, T. H. Whitehead, Ho Kai, E. R. Belilios, and Hon. Wei Yuk; and Mr J. G. T. Buckle, Clerk of Councils.

ABSENT WITH LEAVE. After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read,

the lest meeting of the Council with leave received from the Governor. His Excellency-We will add 'with

leave. PROPOSED NEW GOVERNMENT OFFICES.

Mr Whitehead-I beg to give notice the following motion :- 'I beg to move that Government lay upon the table a cony of its covering despatch forwarding to the Colonial Office the Report, dated 23rd November 1896, of the Committee appointed 8th Saptember 1894 by His Excellency Sir William Robinson to report on the condition of the Government Offices and the desirability of locating the various Government departments under one roof, together with a copy of further explanations the Government may have given in connecion therewith and as called for by the Secretary of State's Despatch No. 126 of

The Colonial Secretary hid upon the able the Report of the Superintendent of of the Fire Brigade for 1897; Report of Superintendent of Victoria Gaol for 1897 Report of the Director of the Observatory for 1897; Report on the Widows, and Orphana Pension Fund for 1897; Report on Public Works Department Stores, and Criminal Statistics and Coroner's Returns

THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW GOVERN-MENT OFFICES.

Mr Ormsby-I rise to propose the following resolution :- That in the opinion of this Council it is expedient (a) To construct the New Law Courts and accessory thick, with turret armour of the same offices on Plot No. 2 on the New Re-Prince: In addition to the usual salute | thickness. Two turrets, forward and aft, | clamation, namely, the larger of the two the O.C.R.A. will arrange for the firing of | are each armed with two 12 inches guns, | lots reserved for Government Offices, im-Office and Supreme Court for the erection of a new Post Office, which should also afford The Gefion, the consort of the Deutsch. | accommodation for the Treasury, and such hand (commanded by Henry of Prussia), is other offices as may be decided on.' Mr at some length.

The Colonial Secretary seconded the Mr Chater proposed, and Mr Whitehead seconded, that the consideration of the matter be delayed.

His Excellency said as the question had been represented to him as a matter of principle he would postpone discussion until Monday. MR WHITEHEAD ON THE WARPATH.

Mr Whitehead-Your Excellency. though it is not on the agenda; it gave notice of a resolution, which reads as folwat: - That the report of the proceed. ings of the Public Works Committee, at a meeting held on 13th ulto., and dated 14th idem., he-referred back to the Committee for amendment. A motion advancing on Sokoto, that the Sultan has made by the Hon. Colonial Treasurer, ordered them to halt forty miles from the seconded by the hon, member opposite (Mr Belilios) is omitted from minutes of that meeting. In support of the motion which I have just read, I will read the following correspondence which has taken place between the Director of Public Works and myself :-

Hongkong, 8th February, 1898. much as it omits any mention of the motion tive Council at its meeting on 25th ulto. It is stated that China has agreed to brought bef re the Chancil meeting called its reports and recommendations are gener for 10th inst., but if that cannot be done, rally adopted by the Council at a matter of the report having already been laid on the course. If your view of the Public Works table, would you yoursulf move on Thurs- Committee is correct I think the sponer it day that it be referred back to the Com- is abolished the better. mittee to permit of the necessary amendable to my having to do so, and I feel hound to bring the question before the Council.

For your information and to explain why no motion was made at last meeting of Council. I her to say that I wrote to the Senior Unofficial Member on the 20th ult. as follows :- 'Not having had two consecutive days' respite from business since last Chinese Now Year and as our markets will be more or less at a standstill next week. leave to-night for the West River, and will probably not return until 29th inst. Should there be a meeting of Council during that period, no doubt the report of the Public Works Committee will be laid on the table. You will remember that at said meeting The Honourable The Treasurer moved and Mr Belilion soconded the motion that my protest against On the dat 11.40 a. A further rise the latter being permitted to vote on the the Treasurer's first motion took place beof the barometer has taken place on the question of the Government purchases fore you made your protest. China coast, and high pressure now covers of Beaconsfield-(Mr. Belilius being the Central China. The low pressure area has owner, of said property and con, move afterwards that your protest should passed to the Eastward of Japan. Gra- sequently directly and pecuniarily interest. Not be recorded, and that this was seconded dients moderate on the coast and in the ed) be not recorded on the minutes or in by Mr Belilios, but as I did not put that to China Sea. Forecast :- fresh N. and N.E. the report of the said meeting. Should the meeting, and as it was not voted on, that motion be emitted from the report I I am still of opinion that there was no more would, if present in Council, rice and move reason for recording it than for recording that it be referred back to the Public all the conversation that took place. The Works Committee for correction. The mo. fact of my accepting and recording your tion in question was a very extraordinary protest was practically ruling the Treaone, and I am still unable to comprehend surer's motion as out of order. - Yours very the unwarrantable action of the Honourable truly, Treasurer. It looked like an endeavour on the part of an official member to stille diacussion and to throttle and suppress the views and the opinions of an unofficial

As, at last meeting of Onuncil held on last ultra during my absonce from the Col

before the Legislative Council, together between recording the discussions and dewith further papers respecting the proposed bates which take place at a meeting, either of Government offices, the adoption of it was the Council or of a Committee of Council, not moved. Mr Chater considered it un and recording the acts of the Council or necessary to then take action regarding the Committee which embody the formal out-

(Signed) T. H. WHETEREAD. Works Committee.

Hongkong, February 9th, 1898. Dear Mr Whitehead. - I have no recollection of a motion having been made by the Honourable the Treasurer and seconded, such as you speak of, and if you are not mistaken, it is a pity you did not at our meeting see that it was recorded. I recollect a short discussion on the sub-

which ended in my ruling that it was. I can therefore move no amendment to able the Attorney-General:- Fours very our report, but it is open I presume for you truly, to do so, and possibly my recollection may

Mr Whitehead said-I was absent from I think you mistook and still mistake our position as a Committee on this occasion. A proposal regarding the Government offices was laid by mo before His Excellency the Governor, He, not the Legislative Council, wished for the opinions of the Members of the Public Works Committee on that proposal, and he got them, being at the same time reminded of the fact, known to him and everybody else in the Colony, that the Hon. Mr Belilios was the owner of Beaconsfield. No doubt the whole matter. in all its bearings, will be fully discussed to-morrow. - Yours very truly.

(Signed) R. D. ORMSEY.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1898. Dear Mr Ormsby. - I duly received your letter of to-day in reply to mine of yesterday, from which I was much surprised to learn that you have no recollection of the Honourable The Treasurer's motion, seconded by Mr Belilios, that my protest and views he not recorded on the minutes or in the report of the meeting of the Public Works Committee held on 13th ulto., that you can therefore move no amendment to the report, and you add that if I am not mistaken it is a pity I did not at the meeting see that the said motion was recorded. Permit me to remind you on the latter point that it was your duty and not mine to see that the said motion, and one of no small importance, was duly recorded. As to its having been made there is no doubt whatever, and let me briefly repeat what

"As soon as Mr Belilios seconded the Treasurer's motion that your scheme for now Government offices be adopted. I protested against your allowing Mr Bolilios to But you'll protect under the White Queen's vote, he being directly pecuniarily interested in the question before the meeting, as he is the owner and seller of Beaconsfield, the purchase of which was included in your scheme. Notwithstanding my objection, you allowed-I still think wrong -Mrl Belilios to vote, and by means of his vote the Treasurer's motion was carried by a majority of one vote. I thereupon gave notice of my protest, which I wished recorded in the minutes and report of the meeting as a member voting on a question in which he was directly pecuniarily interested is contrary to the practice of the House of Commons and May's 'Parliamentary Practice.' The Treasurer then called for my authority, and moved that my protest be not recorded on the minutes and be not forwarded to Government which motion was seconded by Mr Belilios. You than asked the views of the Senior Unofficial Member, who explained the practice hither-

to prevailing and expressed himself in favour of my protest being recorded. You you, for May's Parliamentary Practice,

which could not be found. draw your attention to the fact that the not interested therein, lay an incomplete report is incomplete as it now stands, inas- report of our meeting before the Legislamade by the Honourable the Colonial Trea- It appears to me that you are under a surer at the said meeting that my protest misapprehension as the position and the against the Hon. E. R. Helilios voting on functions of the Public Works Committee, the question, he being directly pecunarily It is a Committee of the Council, Its duty interested therein; be not reported on is to examine all projects submitted to it the minutes of the said meeting, which connected with your Department, and to motion was duly seconded by the Hon. E. report to the Council for its information. R. Belllion. I apuld suggest your having Its object is to prepare the work for the the report amended previous to its being Council, save longthy debates therein, and

It somehow or other did occur to me that ment being made. This would be prefer the Treasurer's extraordinary motion in re my Protest might chance to be omitted from the minutes of our meeting of 13th ulto-, hence my letter of 20th idem to Mr Chater before leaving for the West River. a copy of which is embodied in mine to you yesterday. - Yours very truly.

(Signed) T. H. WHITEHEAD. The Hon. R. D. Ormsby, Director of Public Works, and Chairman of Public Works Committee.

February 15th. 1808. Works Committee and your protest. I have little to add to my former letter

I am almost positive that the voting on I understand now that the Treasurer did

Hongkong, 29th February, 1898.

Dear Mr Urmaby .- I duly received your member on an important-question of print note of 18th inst. in reply to mine of 9th ciple. It is necessary in the public in idem, from which I am sorry to observe you torests that such a proceeding should be have little to add to your letter of 9th inst,. brought to the notice of the Council and the although you now understand that the public, whom we endeavour to represent. Treasurer did move that my protest against If the report should be brought before the an Honourable Member voting on a ques-Council and should it be incomplete, will tion in which he was directly pecuniarily you, in my name, do as I have horde aug. interested, should not be recorded, that gested! For your information I enclose a this motion was seconded by Mr Belilion. press copy of my Protest and letter to Mr | but that as you did not put is to the most-Ormaby, the Chairman of the Committee, ling, and so it was not voted on, you are detail of opinion that there was no mure reason for recording it then for recording the conversation which took place. I must still submit for your countdetailed

omission herein referred to. - Yours very come of the conversations and discussions. It is not customary to record the one, It is the rule that the other should be entered in The Hon. R. D. Ormsby, Director of the minutes. I am not asking you to put Public Works and Chairman of Public on paper the conversation between myself and the Honourable The Treasurer or yours with the Sonior Unofficial Member, but I must again request you to amond minutes by entoring the formal motion duly made by the Treasurer and acconded by Mr Belilios, and also the fact that you overruled it and refused to put it to the meeting. I think I am entitled, as a Membor of the Committee, to have this done. cannot understand why you should refuse N. A. Siebs, H. H. Kirch, J. Andrew, G. ject as to whether your protest was in order, to do so, and I suggest that before finally C. Anderson, J. Thurburn, H. N. Medy, deciding you should consult the Honour-

> (Signed) T H: WHITEHEAD. The Hon, R. D. Ormsby, Director of Public Works, and Chairman of Public

Works Committee. Mr Whitchead (continuing)-I am sorry Sir, to have to make this motion, but thought the omission from the minutes was one involving a very important principle and that the minutes should be so smended Mr Sercombe Smith-Sir, may I have permission, pro forma to second the resolution, otherwise I shall have no opportunity, and no one else will have an opportunity of replying to the aspersions cast upon us by the lion, member. His Excellency granted the request

Mr S. Smith then seconded the resolu tion, and in a longthy speech explained the reason for the omission.

All the member voted against the motion. The Council then considered some Bills The Council afterwards proceeded to consider the jury list, with closed doors.

THE SONG OF THE SEA. bear you Britishers from land to land That fairer neath your hand it shows, As your commerce stretches its golden

And Freedom's soed under it grows. Go then I scour my bosom from East to

For the gold that my help may bring ; So do and die at your White Queen's beliest And sail where'er my white waves sing.

And you shall not tread any foreign way, Be it murder, rapine, or hate :

If ever I did fail you in battle You know full well the reason why ; You had followed some false god or chattel

All men who'll serve in Freedom's state.

Whose call was not my Free tent's cry. Tell it to far-distressed Cathay

And send your noblest ships across the sea,

To show that actions serve your lay !

MENT HOUSE.

A LETTER OF THANKS. Association, in acknowledging the receipt to their minds. He asked any of the then ruled admitting my protest, but the of £167 16s. 10d, write most gratefully to jurors to imagine thomselves in the sand Treasurer and Mr Belilios were still not the local Secretary in Hongkong thanking position as Mr Potts, in the witness box, satisfied, and maintained that my protest all who contributed to the success of the and he was sure if such a course was adopted should not be sent to Government with fate: They say :- 'It is almost impossible towards them they would be angry, they the Committee's report, &c., anless for us to tell you how deeply grateful we would be annoyed, and thrown off their I could quote authorities and verse and are for the welcome gift you have sent us, balance for a moment. It was only human chapter for my action. The Treasurer fur. It comes at a time when our winter nature that it should do so. This proceeds ther said that my objection to Mr Belilios | charities are much in need of support, | ing was adopted to put Mr Potts off bis voting should have been taken at an earlier so it is with feelings of the greatest balance, and put him in a state of any time, and he moved round and made a thankfulness that we use it as you noyance and irritation, and it would not search among the other books in front of wish. It is indeed good and kind of make him so clear-headed to give answers you and all our friends in Hongkong to to the subsequent questions, in cross-exhave spent so much time and taken so much amination, as he would have been if You say that I mistook and still mistake trouble for our benefit; we hope you will all that had been left out. Afterour postion on the said Committee, and that feel repaid when we tell you that this wards a plain insinuation was made in Doar Mr Ormsby,-With reference to it was the Governor, and not the Legislas timely aid will enable us to extend our the cross-examination that Mr Polishthe report of proceedings of the Public tive Council, who wished for the opinions shelter work in the East End which we have walls had on interest in defendants' bust-Works Committee held on 13th ulto, which of the Members of the Public Works Com. been longing to do for some time. On ac. ness. All these had been attempts to observe from the Agenda will come he mittee. If our opinions were solely for count of the mild weather money for this prejudice the case in the minds of the jury. fore the meeting of the Legislative Council His Excellency, why not have forwarded to object has not been coming very well, and It had been a very meety case to begin called for 10th inst., will you allow me to him a complete report, and why if it was we have been daily obliged to refuse many with, but it had been conducted in a very heartrending appeals for relief. The money masty manner. All the defendants had

apportioned as follows :---Work rooms in in 200 Shelters 161 Employment ... East End (including blankets and coals) ::: 40 General outdoor teliefus 27,16,10

£167.18.10

THE monthly report from the Raub mines is of a very encouraging character. The manager thinks he has rediscovered an old lode that had ceased to be worked long ago. He anticipates that the next cleanup will be an improvement on the last. -Straits Times.

The Strate Times of the 11th inst. says !- serious possible nature, as regards the The Government has written to the Sing. business of the defendants; it was not a apore Chamber of Commerce, replying to matter which might be interred, it must be the communication in which that Chamber proved, and the plaintiff must prove it. forwarded to the Government the result They would be asked at the end of this of the recent debate and vote on the Straits long case if these charges had been proved. currency question. The Government in The plaintiff had been flatly contradicted timates that, having regard to the very by two witnesses as against one, and had your second letter dated the 9th inst. ro. in the Chamber's debate, nothing can be duct. The plaintiff had endeavoured to garding the last meeting of the Public promised except that the Government will rob the defendants of their reputation. take the whole matter into consideration, He thought the jury would not believe any one of the charges brought against the de-

> Unotations. Homemona, Fab. 23, 1868. OPIUM-New Patnu, cook, ... 7 21 New Bounces, cash, 705/7071 Oid ... cash,... 715 New Matwe, credit, 780 Allowance Taole, ... 0/48 Last Year New ..... 770/780 Allowance, Tuelbest U/24 Old Malwa oroditana Allowance, Thein, --Porsists, Paper tier 870/890 Allewanes Puels .. 0/16 Paratan Paper tiod 740 Allowance, Taels ... 8/16

Temperature. (Taken at Mesers Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.) Honerone, Feb. 23, 1809. BARONRIBE SAMIN ON BY. OF 1 ReMiers 100 8102 4 P. Minte ... 30.00 CHARMONATED-19 L. M. .... 1) 1 P. 2 .... 4 Partings A (Wet build) \$ A.M. 1 P. K.

SUPREME COURT. IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. (Before His Ifonour Sir John Carrington, Chief Instice, and a Special Jury.)

Wednesday, Feb. 23, CHARLES LEARY GORHAM U. GENJAMIN KELLY AND POTTS.

The hearing of this case was resumed. Mr J. J. Francis, Q.C., along with Mr M. W. Slade (instructed by Messrs Wilkinson and Grist), appeared for plaintiff; Mr W. V. Drummond and Mr. H. E. Pollock (instructed by Messra Johnson, Stokes and Master), appeared for the do-

The following were the jurous :- Messre

Mr Drummond said he was sorry to say. Mr Benjamin was still too unwell to attend. and read a certificate from Dr Rennie to that effect. Under these circumstances, of course, it was impossible to call Mr Benjamin. Mr Drummond regretted that fact because in such a case as this, he would be very glad to call the three defendants, as there was a charge against them all, and Mr Benjamin would be very glad to do his part, small as it might be, to meet the charge, but as it was impossible, under circumstances over which he had no control, to be present, he was propared to dispense with his evidence, and sum up the case to

Mr Francis asked that a copy of Mr Polishwalla's ledger account, which had been used in the case, but had not been orinally put in, be entered among the

The exhibit was put in.

Mr Drummoud, in his address to the ury, referred to allegations in the plaintiff a potition, and said the issue was a simple " one, and very plain - Were the defendants guilty of fraud in respect of the three items in the petition or any one of them? Referring to the tran actions in dispute heween the parties, he compared the evidence of the plaintiff and his principal witness to show that their statements were entirely contradictory, and asked if it was reasonable for a man who had his prind filled with suspicion to place himself at the mercy of the defendants by employing them to put through the large transaction in Banks, and a whole string of other transactions. This proceeding was condemnatory of the belief that the plaintiff desired to convey to the minds of the jury that his mind was filled with distruct of these men. The other side had all through the case ondeavoured to drive suspicion into the minds of the jury, by the use of microscopes on numerous documents put in as exhibits in the case, that the defendents were guilty of forgoryand other irregularities besides fraud. All these documents had been examined with nileroscopic care. In the opening part of Mr Potts' cross-examination, Mr Potts was subjected to what counsel could only describe as a course of mud-throwing, and he did not think that was a course which should commend itself to their minds. Mr Free as the Sea, your battle cry-must | Potts was asked questions about old atories and a newspaper report of a case. They were here not to try that case, but to try the one which had arisen long afterwards. Was it a fair or reasonable course for the plaintiff, or those acting for him, to rake up gutter garbage of old stories and endeavour to prejudice the minds of the THE OPEN-AIR FETE AT GOVERN. jury against Mr Po. ts? That course was adopted with two of the principal witnesses for the defence; it was one of the arts of advocacy, and one, he The Sisters of the Church Extension believed, which would not commund itself will be a very valuable help. It has been | to do in this case was to disprove suspicion, Mr Drummond referred to the evidence in detail, and said they must admis the accounts were consistent. Although the books at first were not clear, and the jury may have thought it was not a very convenient way to keep broke, he thought the difficulty with regard to the balances was clearly shown; and whether the system was good or lad, it had been shown that the books were All your kindness cheers and encourages thoroughly honest. With regard to the charge of fraud, it must be proved that Mr Polishwalla was a dummy. If the jury were satisfied that Mr Polishwalin's position had been satisfactorily established, they would have very little inclination to have any further explanation of the pase ut all. The second and third charges depended entirely upon whother the plaintiff agreed to double brokerage at all. These charges must be proved up to the The first charge was of the most Dear Mr Whitehead, -I am in receipt of divided state of public opinion, as shown been contradicted by his own forcible cour

> asking the jury to bring in a vordict acquitting them of the charges. After titlin, Mr Francis addressed the His Lordship then summed up. (Caso proceeding),

> fendants, and he concluded his address by

MANILA has conferred the freedom of the City on the Marquis of Estella. The document, recording the event, has been presented to H. E. by a deputation of the Municipality, enclosed in a beautifuliy carved sandul wood casket, adorned with gold and precious stones. The whole has been manufactured by native artists,-Singapore Free Press.

Hongkong Register,

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### Banks. FITHE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, AUTHORIZED CAPITAL,....£1,000,000. PAID UP CAPITAL, .....£ 824,374. HEAD OFFICE-HONGKONG. Court of Directors. D. GILLIES, Esq. J. T. LAUTS, Esq. OHOW TUNG SHANC, KWAN HO! CHURN, Esq. Ohief Manager. G. W. F. PLAYFAIR. Interest for 12 months Fixed 5 %. Hongkong, November 30, 1897. THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA LIMITED. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £1,500,000 SUBSORIBED .....£1,125,000 PAID UP. ....£ 562,500 RESERVE FUND.....£ 10,000 BANKERS:. .. LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED. INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily Balance. ON FIXED DEPOSITS :-For 12 Months J. THURBURN, Manager, Hongkong. Hongkong, December 1, 1897. THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA. AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA. INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853. HEAD OFFICE, LONDON. CAPITAL PAID-UP ... ... ... £800,000 RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-HOLDERS ... ... ... £800,000 RESERVE FUND ... ... INTEREST-allowed on Current Account. at the rate of 2 % per annum on the Daily balances. On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 % T. H. WHITEHEAD, Hongkong, June 2, 1897. LI UNGRONG AND SHANGUAL BANKING CORPORATION. RESERVE FUND ...... 8 8,000,000. RESERVE LIABILITY OF \$ 810,000,000. PROPRIETORS ..... Cours of Directors :-Hon. J. J. BELL-IRVING,-Chairman. R. M. GRAY, Esq. - Doputy Chairman, C. Beurmann, Esq. A. J. Raymond, Esq. G. D. Böning, Esq. R. L. Richardson, G. B. Dodwell, Esq. Esq. David Gubbay, Esq. R. Shewan, Esq. Armin Haupt, Esq. N. A. Slebs, Esq.

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All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised; H. A. RITCHIE,

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Hongkong, February 12, 1898. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

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NEWS FROM PORT ARTHUR. Shanghai, February 12. A Correspondent, who recently travelled in a steamer that carried coals to the Russian fleet at Port Arthur and Talienwan. states that substantial sheds are being erected at the former port by the Russians, to hold at least 10,000 tons of coal. These sheds are now about half full and are expected to be guite filled by the and of the month. The Chinase workmen are very busy about the dock and yards under the direction of Russian officers, who gave them orders to prevent any foreigners from going ashore and have forced the Chinese officials to impress upon the people the importance of withholding all information, even on the most casual subjects, from strange visitors. They are in fact forbidden when she chooses to divulge it. to talk to any Europeans but Russians. Most of the Chinese officers have sent their wives and families away to other places, and there is a general expectancy that Port Arthur is likely ere long to be the scene of further excitement. A Russian battle-

ship, two cruisers, and a gunboat were in port when our informant was there; the British cruiser Iphigenia had left two conts or so, into a climate which is ten dedays before, The Russian naval officers went on board the coal steamer, and made anxious enquiries as to the whereabouts of the British Admirals and fleet. They seemed to be very well informed of what was going on in the outside world, however, and had evidently pretty free use of The Peak trainway is a great convenience the Chinese telegraph lines. The impression of the people on the steamer is that the Russians never intend to leave Port the Peak is wonderfully beautiful. Never Arthur, and the nature of the prepara- have I seen softer skies or more brilliant tions ashere, which have been related to beas than from this vantige point, or to us, certainly point to that conclusion. Several straggling Russian officers had Peak, a more perfect object lesson in geoarrived overland, and the Chinese in graphy can scarce be found elsewhere. It thoir usual oriental and picturesque way spoke with wonder of these travellers, who, as they expressed it, had ridden over from this lefty summit. Everything from a ten thousand li' through snow and ice. continent to an island, from an isthmus, When the steamer called at Talienwan to to a cape, or from a peninsula to a prodeliver coal to a Russian cruiser in port montory, is to be seen, varied with lakes there were two warships of that nationality and rivers simulated by the inlets and arms in the harbour. On shore there was no of the sta. activity, and contrasted to the busy scenes

### A SINGAPORE CRITIC ON HONGKONG.

it, it wore a very dead and alive aspect.

Even the Chinese-telegraph office is now

shut up and deserted, as our informant

Russian movements leaking out,-China

Gazette.

SLATING THE CHINA PONY. Vladivostok :-

colony. The retiring Governor, Sir Wil- at very considerable outlays. liam Robinson, seems to be an average I got into very considerable trouble Crown Colony Governor, whose departure more than once in China, owing to my from Hongkong does not appear to have somewhat outspoken criticisms of the nuble been felt as any very cruel blow by 'gee' as he is understood in Hongthe public at large. His ex-Excellency kong and Shanghai. The sportsmen of

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as their pay. colony when a man of position and ability them in everything that relates to horses [0.5. June ] - | - | 5E | 2 | D | is public spirited enough to devote his spare and racing. time to the benefit of the public and the furtherance of their interests.

distinctly unfavourable. I thought it a Robinson Piano Company. cramped, crowded place, all bricks and rocks, and contrasted it with the generous proportions of Singapore in a carping spirit. This feeling wore off during sub- The Tide Table given below has been sequent visits, and I soon found it a compiled by the Nautical Almanao Office marvellous convenience to get to any in London from the results of the analysis point I wished either on foot, or in of observations taken by means of an aua chair or riksha within a few minutes. In tomatic tide recording machine in the Wa-Singapore, a man who has any idea of ter Police Busin at Tsim Sha Tsui during living respectably should have a phaeton, the years 1887-8-9. a buggy, and an office gharry, and he must The zero of the table is Low Water Or. dozen horses, (three of which should be to be 2 feet below mean sea level. Hongkong they know nothing of the ex- in the table. penso and worry consequent on the upkeep of a lot of horses, and a gang of lazy thievish eyess. To make matters worse for the Singapore man, the once familiar By St Hongkong gharry is rapidly becoming extinct, and the rikshas of this piace are simply disgusting. I have now seen rikshas in many lands, but nowhere have I beheld any so

utterly dirty and disroputable as the Singe-The walks about Horgkong are simply can levely. The well-kept footways, the great gray mosagrown stone embankments, the sun. 17 in 1 15 to secutiful and abundant foliage overshadow. Mos. 25 in 1 15 to secutiful and abundant foliage overshadow. Mos. 25 in 1 15 to inferior bigh direction form many a pherming spane. Then, 1 to inferior high and remise a stroll about Househouse with a training the stroll about Househouse the stroll about the stroll about Househouse the stroll about the stroll about Househouse the stroll about th

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visitor soon gets accustomed to tramping up hill and down dale all the time, and before long he knows how to step it out bravely on roads at all sorts of gradients. For those who like level walking, however, there is nothing finer than the Bowen Road, a marvellous achievement, combining an aqueduot with a viaduct commanding onchanting views, and which affords the grateful pedestrian a perfect path, free from the intrusion of horses and carriages, carts, rickishas, and persons on bicycles. In Hongkong they have a superb promenade which must not be trodden save by the foot of man, woman or child, and it is truly a delightful experience to take a good | G. long walk over the Bowon Road on a fine morning, or on one of the delicious evenings of which Hongkong has the secret

The Peak is another great attraction, 27 weather permitting. There is a somewhat extraordinary and risky-looking tramway, which hauls people up to the top of Hongkong at the end of a wire rope. The Tramway Company advertises that in ten minutes they will take people for some ten grees cooler than the other end of Honga kong, which as I have already remarked is a particularly perpendicular place. Lot us hope that the statements put forth by the Tramway Company are accurate; I have not the slightest wish to traverse thom. which largely develops the sphere of life in Hongkong. On a fine day the scenery of také a more prossic view of this wonderful would rejoice the heart of a pedagogus to survey the vivid map unrolled to his gaze

In wet weather, however, this glorious of the days when the Japanese troops held vista is replaced by sheets of rain and wreaths of mist. During such times the Poak is distinctly unpleasant. It is much too damp for walking, but not wet enough supposes, to prevent any news of the for swimming, and all sorts of persons of PRICE both sexes are to be found wading about. in a sort of semi-amphibious way which issimply heart-breaking to the inhabitant of drier but less picturesque regions.

It is very pleasant again to take a run in a steam launch in the direction of Lyeo-moon with a few friends. The launch is stopped, a couple of life buoys are thrown MODERATE PRICES. The following is Chapter XLIII of Mr into the water so as to be handy in case John Dill Ross's contribution to the Singa- of need, and then everybody goes overpore Free Press, 'From Moscow to board for a glorious swim to the shore, and back again to the boat. As every big firm Politically, Hongkong has many points of in Hongkong has its own steam launch, resemblance with Singapore. Both are in- this is a form of healthy enjoyment which sular Crown Colonies blessed with much is often resorted to after a hard day of it the same type of Governor, Colonial Secre- in the office, by way of a tonic before dintary, Legislative Council, and other adner. The resources of Hongkong are well ministrative machinery. As in the case of high endless, however, and it may be truly Singapore, the progress and prosperity of said of the community that they are a Hongkong make it evident, that in spite of sporting lot. Cricket and tennis are held obvious defects, this system of Government in high honour in Hongkong, and a good is the best that could be devised for the deal of alleged racing is kept going there

passed through Singapore the other day on China are as conservative about racing his way home, on board of a German mail as the French are about the colonial tariff steamer. His Excellency Sir Charles which bars the entry of English goods Mitchell arrived here on board of a French | into their territories. I first came to grief when I proposed to send up a What has gone wrong with the British little horse from Singapore measuring under fourteen hands, which would beat anything in all Chins. I was bluntly told Comment your portez your, Sir Charles i to keep my little horse to myself, and was Tromas Resonant, St. Helen's, England. It really seems as if these two patriotic informed that only China ponies are allowed Sole Agents for Hongkong and (gentlemen had adopted 'No English Need to race in China. Now the China pony is Waters & Co., 66, Queen's Road. Apply as their motto, in which case it a bull-headed, hog-necked, full-bodied, seems inconsistent on their part to pecket stumpy-legged creature, just rounded off a particularly large pile of British sterling anyhow at the tail end of him, which is We have always enjoyed a considerable a much more engaging spectacle than lookamount of political life in Singapore. From ling him in his ugly face. He generally has the days of Mr W. H. Read, until the time a mouth like a brick and a temper like a when Mr Shelford retired, public opinion typhoon: I forget the average speed of has been adequately and ably represented a Chinese Ladas, but I understand that in Council and elsewhere. In Hongkong there is no sale for stop-watches in Hongthis does not appear to have been the case, kong or Shanghai, as they time their and Mr Henry Norman is no doubt correct races in China by the church clock. Upon in ascribing any usefulness of the unofficial these unlikely animals enormous sums of element in Council to the Hon'ble Mr money are equandered. Thousands of Whitehead's able and untiring efforts. I dollars are paid for a China pony that is should say he must be a formidable advor- fancied, and racing men will back him till cary in debate. I once had the pleasure of all is blue. They will positively put their travelling with Mr Whitehoad from London shirt on one of these benighted beants, and to Liverpool. Could I have got him to sometimes they go home without it. A few talk about Hongkong I should now be China ponies were once introduced into writing a much better article about the Singapore, but it was found that they had tolony, but Mr Whitehead was full of not any winning little ways about them, bimetallism just then, a charming subject and even as hacks they were voted a horrid on which he was about to lecture. By the nuisance, so naturally enough they have time we got to Warrington I believed that disappeared from our midet. To do the I know all about bimetal ism, and that the | Chica pony justice, however, there is lots of World of Finance had no further secrets fun to be got out of him. I frequently had for me. Unfortunately I was incapable of the pleasure of meeting a Hongkong gendigesting the stores of learning so sudden. tleman, who told me that a celebrated pony ly acquired, and that night I suffered from | which he was racing, broke his leg for him such a fearful bimetallic night-mare that I in four places on one fine afternoon, besides have never dared to think about such fracturing half a dozen ribs and a collar things again: Mr Whitehead's theories bone. The outrageous brute was proceedabout bimotallism and finance generally ing to est his unhappy owner raw, when shall be unto me as so much gospel for the police thought the thing had gone far the future, nor am I likely to go wrong enough and stopped it. That afternoon's in pinning my faith to such an accompli hed sport kept my friend in bed for ever a year. exponent of these delicate and intricate This story is a true one; it may not be questions. Mr Whitehead is also very absolutely correct in every detail, but in great on the sterling value of Scotsmen in the main it is a veracious anecdote. Any general, and of one of them in particular. man who knows Hongkong at all, will On this point he is absolutely sound and immediately recognise in the here of my cannot be gainsaid. It is to be hoped that story, the genial and plucky sportsman Mr Whitehead will long remain a leading who met with this disaster. The people figure in the political and commercial world of Hongkong may be superior to us in of Hongkong; it is a very great gain to any many ways, but we are far ahead of

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Present conditions seem to indicate tha revival of the project to form a local Fire Insurance Company, which was attempted some years ago but failed, will now meet with success; indeed, so many and so encouraging have been the promises already volunteered, that a reasonable hope is entertained of the present proposal meeting with the almost entire support of the community,-the more so as it is not intended that the Company shall apply for membership with the Associated Fire Insurance Companies, with a view to working in conjunction with the Tariff Offices, but rather that its interests shall be identified with those of the Assured; to which end provision will be made in the Articles of Association for the return to contributors of a bonus out of surplus profits.

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The China Fire Insurance Company Limited, was sturted in 1870, also with a capital of \$2,000,000, of which only \$400,000 have been called up, i.e. \$20 on every \$100 share; yet it has a Reserve Fund of nearly \$887,000; a sum of \$267,000 at Working ELECTRIC SUPPLIES Account, and its shares are quoted at

In view of these figures, which are taken from the Share Report of Messes Benjamin, Kelly & Potts, Hongkong Shade Rrokers, for the week ended the 29th of December, 1897, it is difficult to see any reason why the proposed Company should not, in course BATTERIES, of time, and under efficient management, attain to a like degree of prosperity.

Statistics of the aggregate annual losses caused by fire in Yokohama in previous years are unfortunately not procurable. But it is estimated in the Annual Report of the Yokohama Fire Brigade for the year 1896 that during that year the sum of Yen 45,300 sufficed to cover the whole damage dons in the Settlement of Yokohama, of which sum the largest amount paid on any one risk was Yeu 12,000, and the smallest was Yen 30); whilst on the Bluff there were only four flrys, the loss aggregating Yen 52,000, of which sum Yen 35.000 represented the damage osused by the most overwhelming configration that has over occurred on the Bluff since it first began to be built upon thirty years ago, and which destroyed seven houses on one block, Nevertholess, it is seen that a sum of less than Yen 100,000 is computed to have covered the whole losses sustained by all the Lasurance Companies together by fires occurring on the Bluff and in the Settlement in the year 1896.

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From Kobe it is learned that in the year 1893 there occurred three fires, occasioning Trained Mechanicians sent to Out-Ports an estimated aggregate less of Yen 113,000; and that in the year 1897 there occurred nine fires, the loss on one of which has not been ascertained and on the other eight is estimated at Yen 29,085. The premis collected by the thirty-nine Companies doing business in Kobe is calculated to range from Yen 250,000 to Yen 280,00).

As regards Nagasaki it has been ascertained that the remain paid to the Fire Insurance Ompanies at that port during the year 1897 amounted to Yen 17,030, against which there were no claims.

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